Remarks

Claims 7-19 and 39-50 are pending in the application. Claims 1-6 and 20-38 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 7-19 and 39-50 are allowed.

In view of the above, the application contains only allowed claims. The Applicant therefore earnestly solicits favorable reconsideration and early issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4323 to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Office is authorized to charge any fees related to this communication to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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